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Environmental Protection Commissioners to consider nutrient standards, referrals and a construction permit

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DES MOINES – The Environmental Protection Commission will meet at 10 a.m. in the auditorium of the Wallace State Office Building, 502 E. Ninth St. in Des Moines.

At the start of the meeting, Commissioners will be asked to approve or deny a rulemaking that would set numeric water quality standards for nutrient levels in public lakes.

Next on the agenda, at 11 a.m., commissioners will hear two referrals to the Attorney General's office. The DNR recommends referring Phoenix Investors, LLC, and Environmental concerning alleged asbestos violations that occurred during an abatement project in Newton.

Following lunch, commissioners will hear a Demand for a Hearing from Story County concerning the Longview Pork, LLC, construction permit for an animal feeding operation.

The meeting is open to the public and time for public comment is scheduled for the Demand for a Hearing. To sign up to speak, contact Jerah Sheets at 515-313-8909.

Commissioners will also be asked to approve a contract with the city of Clear Lake watershed project in Cerro Gordo and Hancock counties.

Finally, revised air quality rules are up for approval, followed by general discussion.

The complete [agenda and item briefs](#) are available on the DNR website and shown below:

- Petition for Rulemaking – Numeric Water Quality Standards for Nutrient Significant Public Recreational Lakes in Iowa
- Referrals to the Attorney General
- Demand for Hearing – Story County – Longview Permit
- Environmental Management System Program Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Report
- Contract with City of Clear Lake for the CLEAR Watershed Project
- Final Rules: Air Quality Regulatory Certainty Rules Part 3 - Chapters 20, 21, and 25

Commissioners include: Ralph Lents, Menlo, chair; Joe Riding, Altoona, vice chair; Rebecca Guinn, Bettendorf, Secretary; Mary Boote, Des Moines; Nancy Couser, Nevada; Lisa Gochenour, Logan; Howard Hill, Cambridge; Harold Hommes, Waverly; and Bob Sinclair, Sigourney. Bruce Trautman is the acting director of the Iowa Department of Natural Resources.

Any person attending the public meeting who has special requirements such as those related to mobility or hearing impairments should contact the DNR or ADA Coordinator at 515-725-8200, Relay Iowa TTY Service 800-735-7942, or Webmaster@dnr.iowa.gov and advise of specific needs.

Livestock master matrix adopted in 89 counties

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DES MOINES – In January 89 of Iowa's 99 counties notified DNR that they plan to evaluate construction permit applications and proposed animal confinement lots using the master matrix.

With few exceptions, most counties will use the matrix during the next 12 months. The following counties will not use the matrix in 2019: Davis, Des Moines, Keokuk, Mahaska, Osceola, Plymouth, Wapello, Warren and Washington.

Animal producers who need a construction permit before building in these counties should contact the DNR at 515-725-8200.

While all counties may submit comments to DNR during the permitting process that adopt the master matrix can also appeal a preliminary permit to the state Environmental Protection Commission.

The deadline for enrolling in the program is Jan. 31 of each year.

Find more information, including a map of participating counties by searching for Matrix at www.iowadnr.gov/afo or directly on the [master matrix](#) web page.

The master matrix applies to producers who must get a construction permit to expand or modify a totally roofed facility. Generally, these are confinement feeding operations with at least 2,500 finishing hogs, 1,000 beef cattle or 715 mature c

Air Quality permits under review

MEDIA CONTACT: Lori Hanson, DNR, at 515-725-9525 or Lori.Hanson@dnr.iowa.gov for Title V permits; or Sarah Piziali, DNR, at 515-281-9549 or Sarah.Piziali@dnr.iowa.gov for construction permits.

DES MOINES – The DNR Air Quality Bureau has the following draft permits up for review. The permits help protect Iowans' health and the air where we live. DNR permitting staff review the applications to ensure facilities comply with state and federal air quality standards. The public has the right and is encouraged to comment on the draft permits. DNR considers [public comments](#) before finalizing the permits. Submit comments in writing to the assigned permit writer before 4:30 p.m. on the last day of the public comment period.

Title V Operating Permits

Title V Operating permits are reviewed and re-issued every five years. Facilities with Title V permits have the potential to emit large amounts of air pollutants compared to other facilities. The five-year reviews are a federal requirement and ensure that air quality monitoring is included in the permit. The DNR plans to issue Title V Operating permits for the following facilities. Find permit details at www.iowadnr.gov/titlev-draft.

Polk County Magellan Pipeline Co., LP – Des Moines Terminal – 2503 SE 43rd St, Des Moines. The Title V renewal application was submitted to operate their existing Des Moines Terminal / Refined Petroleum Pipelines facility. The public comment period ends on Jan. 9.

DNR enforcement actions

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DES MOINES – DNR staff work with individuals, businesses and communities to help them protect our natural resources by complying with state and federal laws. This approach is very effective. In the few cases where compliance cannot be achieved, DNR issues enforcement actions. The following list summarizes recent enforcement actions. Find the entire, original orders on DNR's website at www.iowadnr.gov/EnforcementActions.

Consent Orders

A consent order is issued as an alternative to issuing an administrative order. A consent order indicates that the DNR has voluntarily entered into a legally enforceable agreement with the other party.

Black Hawk County

21st Century Equipment Company and John Baker
Pay \$9,000 in SWAP contract settlement.

Dallas County

Hawkeye Auto Salvage of Desoto, L.L.C
No further open burning; comply with open burning and solid waste regulations; and pay an administrative penalty of \$3,000.

Dallas County

Charleston Enterprises, inc. and Mr. Doug Charleston
No further open burning; comply with composting regulations; and pay an administrative penalty of \$2,500.

Administrative Orders

Responsible parties have 30 days to appeal the order or 60 days to pay the penalty.

Polk County

Rescinds the Administrative Order associated with the following.

- Elite Fuel Four, Inc., Iowa Gas Group, Inc., USA Gas Depot Corporation, and Ish Oberoi - Administrative Order (UT) (rescinds Administrative Order No. 2010-UT-19)
- Elite Fuel Four, Inc., Iowa Gas Group, Inc., Liberty Mart and Ish Oberoi

- Elite Fuel Six, Inc., Iowa Gas Group, Inc., Ish Oberoi, and United Mini-M Administrative Order (UT) (rescinds Administrative Order No. 2010-UT-1)
- Elite Fuel Six, Inc., Iowa Gas Group, Inc., United Gas Supply Corp., and Oberoi - Administrative Order (UT) (rescinds Administrative Order No. 2010-UT-14)
- Elite Fuel Six, Inc., Elite Fuel Two, Inc., and Ish Oberoi - Administrative Order (UT) (rescinds Administrative Order No. 2010-UT-13)
- Elite Fuel Eight, Inc., Iowa Gas Group, Inc., Sekon Brothers, L.L.C., and Oberoi - Administrative Order (UT) (rescinds Administrative Order No. 2010-UT-12)
- Elite Fuel Eight, Inc., Iowa Gas Group, Inc., USA Gas Supply, Inc., and Ish Oberoi - Administrative Order (UT) (rescinds Administrative Order No. 2010-UT-11)